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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012


LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF: ONE HELITENDER, ONE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SQUAD, TWENTY PUMPER APPARATUS, TWO QUINT AERIAL APPARATUS, AND TWO WATERTENDERS
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) is requesting approval for the acquisition of: one helitender at the cost of approximately \$400,000; one hazardous materials squad at the cost of approximately \$700,000; twenty pumper apparatus at the cost of approximately \$576,000 each; two quint aerial apparatus at the cost of approximately \$1,200,000 each; and two watertenders at the cost of approximately \$450,000 each. The total combined apparatus purchase is approximately \$15,920,000.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

1. Approve the District's request and authorize the Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the solicitation and acquisition of capital asset items in excess of \$250,000 which consist of: one helitender; one hazardous materials squad; twenty pumper apparatus; two quint aerial apparatus; and two watertenders.
2. Find that these purchases are exempt from the provision of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The District has a 20-year replacement plan for fire apparatus, consisting of 15 years of front line service and five years of reserve service. A helitender carries jet fuel to allow remote refueling of helicopters during emergency operations. A hazardous materials squad provides identification, control, and abatement due to discharge of hazardous materials and emergency medical response capabilities. Pumper apparatus provides structural and wildland fire suppression and emergency medical response capabilities. Quint aerial apparatus provides the ability to perform as both a fire suppression pumper and aerial ladder truck. A watertender carries water to allow remote refilling of water tanks for wildland fire suppression. Acquiring these apparatus will allow us to maintain our current apparatus replacement schedule.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This purchase supports the County's Strategic Plan Goal #1, Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability, by maximizing the effectiveness of and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services; Goal #2, Community Support and Responsiveness, by providing enhanced services; and Goal #3, Integrated Service Delivery, by maximizing opportunities to improve client and community outcomes and leveraging resources by providing multi-tasked emergency apparatus to support public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Estimated cost of one helitender is \$400,000. The estimated cost of one hazardous materials squad is \$700,000. The estimated cost of twenty pumper apparatus is \$11,520,000. The estimated cost of two quint aerial apparatus is \$2,400,000. The estimated cost of two watertenders is \$900,000. Total combined estimated cost for all apparatus purchase is \$15,920,000. The District's 2015-16 Budget includes sufficient funding for these purchases.

The maintenance of the apparatus will be funded from the District's Operating Budget. There is no impact to net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) requirements have changed dramatically; therefore, the new apparatus will be significantly more efficient and updated to meet the new NFPA requirements.

On October 16, 2001, your Board adopted a policy whereby departments must obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting their requisitions to the Purchasing Agent.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The acquisition of these apparatus is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as it will not result in a direct or reasonable foreseeable impact on the environment in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) by the State of California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through, and accomplished by the County Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The new apparatus will greatly enhance the District's ability to protect lives, the environment, and property in a safe, more efficient, and more cost-effective manner.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, please instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to return adopted copies of this letter to:

Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County
Materials Management Division
5801 South Eastern Ave, Suite 100
Commerce, CA 90040
Attention: Denise Duke, Division Chief

Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County
Fire Fleet Services Division
1104 North Eastern Ave, Door #26
Los Angeles, CA 90063
Attention: Craig Weeks, Division Chief

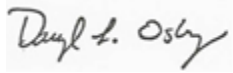
Internal Services Department
Purchasing & Contracts Service
1100 North Eastern Avenue, Suite 102
Los Angeles, CA 90063
Attention: Gerald Plummer, Division Manager

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daryl L. Osby". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "O".

DARYL L. OSBY

FIRE CHIEF, FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
Internal Services Department